REMARKS

Claims 1-8 are pending in the present application. The Office Actions mailed on March 19, 2004, and September 24, 2003, in connection with the parent application have been considered. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Applicants have amended claim 1 to more clearly recite that there is only one screw bolt for securing the adjustment member to the mounting seat. In particular, claim 1 now recites, a table saw comprising, *inter alia*, two adjustment members respectively mounted on the mounting seats of the suspension arm. The adjustment members each have a second positioning unit adapted for coupling to the first positioning unit of the mounting seat of the suspension arm for enabling the adjustment member to be secured to the mounting seat of the suspension arm. Means are provided for securing the adjustment member to the mounting seat comprising a circular through hole transversely extended through two opposite sides of the adjustment member above the second positioning unit, and a single screw bolt inserted through the through hole and fastened to the mounting hole of the corresponding mounting seat of the suspension arm. Applicant respectfully submits that this is not taught, disclosed or rendered obvious by the prior art of record.

In particular, in the Wang patent, in order to adjust the angle of the saw, the user must unscrew and then tighten two screw bolts 45 and 48. Bolts 48 are extended through the washers 47 and the rounded tip portions 321 of the two positioning plates 32 and secured to the internally threaded portions 461 of the two lock elements 46 respectively, thereby locking the lock block 41 on the

corresponding one of the positioning plates 32. Each of the lock blocks 41 further has a hole 44 formed at a bottom portion, and is under the middle one of the engaging tongues 43. A bolt 45 extends through the hole 44 to engage with the corresponding one of the positioning plates through one of the threaded holes 34, thereby locking the lock block 41 on the corresponding positioning plates 32 for adjusting the saw 52 at a desired angle. Col. 3 lines 53-66. In contrast, according to the present invention, there is only one screw bolt fastening the adjustment member to the mounting seat. This simplifies the use of the table saw for the user and thereby provides an advantage over the prior art construction.

Further, Applicant respectfully again notes that the rejection as stated, in the final Office Action of the claims as being anticipated under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) by the Wang patent is improper. There is no teaching, inherently or otherwise, in the Wang patent that would suggest that the elements shown in the prior art disclosed in Figs. 1 and 2 could be in any way combined with the structure of the embodiments shown in Fig. 4. Thus, assuming for the sake of argument only, that Applicants claimed invention is found in the prior art as asserted by the Examiner (a finding which the Applicant contests as discussed above), the various elements in those claims are not found in the disclosed patent "arranged as in the claim". For this reason alone, the rejection ought not be repeated.

In view the above amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections in the parent

¹ Richardson v. Suzuki Motor Co., 868 F.2d 1226, 1236, 9 U.S.P.Q.2d 1913, 1920 (Fed. Cir. 1992).

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application. Applicant submits that the application is in condition for allowance and early notice to this effect is most earnestly solicited.

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